47. The heat shrink film according to claim 49, wherein said first barrier layer comprises ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer.

22 43. The heat shrink film according to claim 40, wherein said first barrier layer has a thickness of between about 10 and about 30 gauge, said second layer has a thickness of between about 40 and about 50 gauge, and said third layer has a thickness of between about 110 and about 120 gauge.

A package made from the film of claim 49.

REMARKS

Applicants have submitted new claims 22 to 44 which further define Applicants' invention. New claims 22 to 44 limit Applicants' invention to a heat shrink film. Support for this amendment is found on page 5, third paragraph and page 7, last paragraph of the instant application wherein heat shrink films are disclosed. Applicants' have also amended the claims to include copolymer of ethylene and C₃-C₂₀ alpha olefins. Support for this amendment is found on page 6, second paragraph of the instant application.

Applicants respectfully request consideration and entrance of the Preliminary Amendment. Applicants respectfully submit that the newly submitted claims are allowable over any art of record in view of the amendments and the allowability of a continuation application (U.S. Serial No. 09/006,700) based on U.S. Serial No. 08/082,226 which was copending with the parent application of the present application.

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